

March 13, 2003

TO: Members of the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Stephen S. Cleveland, Goodyear City Manager, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, March 20, 2003 - 1:30 p.m.

MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

	<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Approval of the January 30, 2003 Meeting Minutes</u>	2. Review and approve the January 30, 2003 meeting minutes.

3. Ozone Maintenance Plan (1-Hour Standard)

A status report will be given on the development of the Ozone Maintenance Plan for the 1-hour ozone standard. The plan is designed to demonstrate maintenance of the standard through the year 2015. Air quality modeling is underway to determine if existing measures will be sufficient to maintain the standard. Several of the existing measures have future year air quality benefits.

4. Status Report on the PM-10 Air Quality Lawsuit

The Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest filed a lawsuit challenging the Environmental Protection Agency approval of the Revised MAG 1999 Serious Area Particulate Plan for PM-10 for the Maricopa County Nonattainment Area. On January 17, 2003, the Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest filed its second brief in the lawsuit to refute the EPA defense of the plan. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Status Report on the Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan

A status report will be provided on the Draft MAG Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan. In a February 21, 2003 letter, the Environmental Protection Agency indicated that the plan would need to include an intermediate year maintenance plan budget for conformity. Consequently, an intermediate year budget for 2006 is now being developed. The modeling approach used for the budget will be consistent with the modeling for the 2015 maintenance year.

6. 8-Hour Ozone Standard Area Designations

An update on the process to designate nonattainment area boundaries for the eight-hour ozone standard will be provided. On

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February 27, 2003, EPA announced that additional time would be allowed for states to recommend nonattainment area boundaries. The new deadline is July 15, 2003.

The Environmental Protection Agency will finalize the recommendations from states by April 15, 2004. A presentation will be given. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Visibility Index

The Visibility Index Oversight Committee has been evaluating various options which could be used for a visibility index in the Phoenix metropolitan area. In addition, a visibility survey was conducted to determine what visible air qualities are desirable, what visible range is acceptable, and how often visual air quality and acceptable visual ranges should be expected to occur. A presentation will be given.

8. Call to the Public

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee.

9. Call for Future Agenda Items

The next meeting of the Committee is tentatively scheduled for May 1, 2003. The Chairman will invite the Committee members to suggest future agenda items.

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